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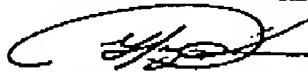
Sir:

In response to the Office Communication dated January 31, 2006, Applicants elect to pursue Species 1, which corresponds to Figure 1, without traverse. Claims 11, 12, 13, 14, 21, 22, and 23 read on the elected species..

Applicants reserve the right to pursue the non-elected Species in divisional applications, as appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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